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13 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
14 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, WESTERN DIVISION

15 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

16 Plaintiff,

17 v.

18 ENRIQUE FAUSTINO AGUILAR
19 NORIEGA, ANGELA MARIA
20 GOMEZ AGUILAR, LINDSEY
21 MANUFACTURING COMPANY,
22 KEITH E. LINDSEY, and STEVE
K. LEE,

23 Defendants.

Case No. CR 10-1031(A)-AHM

**SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEF IN
SUPPORT OF MOTION TO
DISMISS THE INDICTMENT WITH
PREJUDICE DUE TO REPEATED
AND INTENTIONAL
GOVERNMENT MISCONDUCT;
DECLARATIONS OF ALAIN
BRUNELLE, JANET I. LEVINE,
AND MARTINIQUE E. BUSINO;
EXHIBITS**

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Judge: Hon. A. Howard Matz

1 certain witnesses, omitted others, withheld discovery, and modeled its trial strategy
2 with the intent of shielding its investigation from defense and jury scrutiny.¹ In so
3 doing, it put an unqualified witness on the stand, falsely describing him as a
4 summary witness (*see infra* at pp. 39-44), failed to produce *Brady* material (*see*
5 Motion to Dismiss, May 9, 2011, Docket Entry 505, at pp. 19-21), and deprived the
6 defense of its rights to confront and cross-examine witnesses (*see infra* at *id.*).

7 Weaknesses and holes in the evidence, inconsistencies in proof, and other
8 problems with the government's investigation are highly relevant. *Kyles v. Whitley*
9 holds that evidence of investigative failures is *Brady* material. 514 U.S. 419, 445-
10 49 (1995). In *Kyles*, the Court noted that had the defense been provided *Brady*
11 materials, the defense could have challenged "the thoroughness and even good faith
12 of the investigation," *id.* at 445, and that "[a] common trial tactic of defense lawyers
13 is to discredit the caliber of the investigation or the decision to charge the
14 defendant, and we may consider such use in assessing a possible *Brady* violation."
15 *Id.* at 446 (internal quotations and citation omitted).

16 Here, the government intentionally withheld *Brady* materials, even during
17 trial. It purposely did not produce statements of one of its case agents, Susan
18 Guernsey, in order to shield its investigation from scrutiny. It put an unqualified
19 witness – Agent Dane Costley – on the stand as a summary agent, to shield its
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21 ¹ In response to the Court's inquiry of why the government was not using
22 Agent Guernsey as the summary witness, the Government responded that "[it]
23 anticipate[d] that the defense [would] likely try to put the investigation on trial,
24 about how the government went about conducting its investigation. In order to
25 limit the ability to introduce that type of a defense," which the government believed
26 was "irrelevant to the facts before the jury, [the government] wanted someone who
27 [could] speak to the documents in this case – which [were] extremely voluminous –
28 and summarize them." April 15, 2011, RT at 1697:21 – 1698:3. The government
agreed with the Court's characterization of this decision, namely that the
government "didn't want someone who was part of the investigation, so there
wouldn't be questions about the investigation." April 15, 2011, RT at 1698:5-9.

1 investigation and to prevent the defense from presenting a legitimate and effective
2 defense. It kept Agent Costley in the dark, spoon-feeding the few documents it
3 wanted him to see and be able to introduce, and also to shield its investigation. This
4 was a clear violation of *Brady/Kyles*.

5 **D. Presenting Special Agent Dane Costley As A Summary Witness**
6 **Was Misconduct**²

7 The government represented to the Court that Special Agent Dane Costley
8 was the government's summary witness. *See* Government's Response to
9 Defendants' Motion to Exclude Summary Testimony by Special Agent Dane
10 Costley, March 29, 2011, Docket Entry 368. It presented Agent Costley as a
11 "summary witness." Agent Costley introduced and published most of the
12 government's key exhibits; he introduced and published "summary charts"
13 purporting to show money trails and the "bribe" payments. These charts were *not*
14 prepared by him. He introduced all of the Jean Guy LaMarche emails, even though
15 he knew nothing about Jean Guy LaMarche or the emails.

16 Summary witnesses are permitted to present voluminous evidence to a jury.
17 In criminal cases they are typically the case agents. Joseph M. McLaughlin, et al.,
18 *Weinstein's Federal Evidence* § 1006.04[3] (2011) ("Sometimes a witness (*such as*
19 *the case agent in a criminal prosecution*) is asked to summarize the testimony and
20 exhibits that have already been admitted in the case.") (emphasis added).

21 Agent Costley was described by the government as "someone who can speak
22 to the documents in this case – which are extremely voluminous – and summarize
23 them." April 15, 2011, RT at 1698:1-3. This was not accurate. Instead, he was
24 used in lieu of the case agents because, according to Mr. Miller, "we anticipate the

25 ² A United States Supreme Court case, decided after this trial, strongly
26 suggests that testimony such as Agent Costley's, including his introduction of
27 charts created by others, violates the Confrontation Clause. *See Bullcoming v. New*
28 *Mexico*, 131 S. Ct. 2705, 2713-17 (2011).

1 defense will likely try to put the investigation on trial, about how the government
 2 went about conducting its investigation. In order to limit the ability to introduce
 3 that type of a defense, which we believe is irrelevant to the facts before the jury” –
 4 the government used Special Agent Dane Costley. April 15, 2011, RT at 1697:21 –
 5 1698:4.

6 Agent Costley knew nothing about this case other than what he was told by
 7 the prosecution team. He had no relevant personal knowledge. He did not testify as
 8 an expert.³ Despite the government’s representation that Agent Costley could speak
 9 to and summarize voluminous documents in this case, he could not. There was no
 10 evidentiary basis for his testimony.

11 The following illustrates Agent Costley’s lack of knowledge in this case.
 12 Agent Costley:

- 13 • Did *no* investigation. *See, e.g.*, April 26, 2011, RT at 2818:10-17; April 29,
 14 2011, RT at 3220:10-13 (Costley admits that he has a “limited base of
 15 knowledge on this case” because he is not a case agent and has only really
 16 been involved since February 2011.)
- 17 • Interviewed *no* witnesses. *See, e.g.*, April 26, 2011, RT at 2641:4 – 2642:5;
 18 2816:22 – 2817:18; April 29, 2011, RT at 3206:16 – 3207:10.
- 19 • Prepared *no* charts. *See, e.g.*, April 26, 2011, RT at 2790:3 – 2791:18

20 ³ April 27, 2011, RT at 2975:7-20 (objection by Ms. Levine to Agent Costley’s
 21 testimony):

22 He’s not an expert. He has no knowledge of the case. He is up [there]
 23 to read documents, and I see no basis in law to allow somebody to do
 24 that. It denies confrontation. It allows the government three chances
 25 to argue, which is improper. It does not allow any cross-examination
 26 or confrontation about these exhibits whatsoever. It takes a trial out of
 27 the realm of an adversary proceeding on which one could be cross-
 28 examined, and puts it in the realm of a government creating some story
 through somebody that’s immune to any questioning in an order that is
 purely argument.

1 (Guernsey admits that Costley only “helped” prepare Ex. 21, along with
2 “prosecution team,” the members of which she could not recall); April 26,
3 2011, RT at 2818:10-17; April 29, 2011, RT at 3239:22 – 3243:2 (Costley
4 admits that he did not prepare any chart by himself, never completed a first
5 draft, never participated in the document selection, and that many other
6 people were involved: “A lot – there were – there was a lot of input from
7 different people. I don’t know who exactly was involved in the beginning to
8 the end of the creation of the charts – excuse me – or the information how it
9 was gathered.”); May 3, 2011, RT at 3459:5-16; 3462:2-22 (On cross,
10 Costley reiterates that he never completed the first draft of any chart and that
11 information to be included in the charts was selected by someone else.).

- 12 • Read *no* witness statements. *See, e.g.*, April 27, 2011, RT at 2891:12-15
13 (Costley did not review any 302s in preparation for his testimony); April 29,
14 2011, RT at 3220:14-16; 3221:23-25.
- 15 • Reviewed *no* grand jury testimony. *See, e.g.*, April 29, 2011, RT at 3216:24
16 – 3217:5; 3233:10-14 (Costley did not review Guernsey, Spillane or Cortez
17 grand jury testimony).
- 18 • Reviewed *no* trial testimony. *See, e.g.*, April 29, 2011, RT at 3221:17-22.
- 19 • Independently reviewed *no* documents. *See, e.g.*, April 29, 2011, RT at
20 3233:18 – 3234:17; 3241:9-16 (During cross examination, Costley
21 acknowledged that the prosecution team provided him select documents and
22 made decisions regarding what to present to him.).
- 23 • Wrote *no* reports. *See, e.g.*, April 29, 2011, RT at 3209:2-8.
- 24 • Made *only one* suggestion to the “prosecution team” which was *rejected*. *See*
25 May 3, 2011, RT at 3461:14-22 (During cross examination on Government
26 Exhibit 1009, Costley admitted that he wanted to make a change to some
27 information included on the chart but was told he could not do so.).

28 In essence, all Dane Costley did was look at charts prepared by unnamed

1 others and check to see that the information on the charts prepared by others
2 matched the documents he was given by unnamed others, and then act as a reader at
3 trial.

4 The fact that he knew nothing about the witnesses was patently clear when he
5 published the Jean Guy LaMarche emails. On cross, he admitted he knew nothing
6 about Mr. LaMarche and the investigation and the lack of investigation, of Mr.
7 LaMarche.⁴ He knew nothing about why Mr. LaMarche did not testify as a witness
8 or about the prosecution team's interview of Mr. LaMarche in the United States
9 Attorney's Office in December 2010. He had not read the interview memorandum.
10 This, of course, resulted in a very tortured and unproductive cross-examination.
11 *See, e.g.* April 29, 2011, RT at 3294:3 – 3301:5; *see infra* at n. 29.⁵

12 He knew nothing about Agent Binder and Agent Guernsey's false statements
13 in the search and seizure warrant affidavits. April 29, 2011, RT at 3235:6 – 3237:8.

14 As noted, the charts were prepared by others. However, because Costley was
15 the witness through whom they were admitted, there was no one to meaningfully
16 confront and cross-examine about the content of the charts. And, as the Court
17 noted, "some of the charts that Costley testified to were ill-advised, misleading,
18 [and] shockingly incomplete May 3, 2011, RT at 3603:25 – 3604:2.

19 It is at odds with basic constitutional principles of confrontation of witnesses
20 and the right to cross-examine to allow someone as uninvolved and uninformed as

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22 ⁴ Nothing in the discovery indicates that the government conducted any
23 investigation of Jean Guy LaMarche. Indeed, nothing to verify his claims or
24 evaluate his credibility. *See, e.g.* April 29, 2011, RT at 3301:1-5, 3304:6-17,
25 3329:14 – 3330:21 (no investigation or interviews to determine if claims were true).
Although nearly inconceivable, the government apparently accepted Mr. LaMarche
at face value.

26 ⁵ The prosecutors even tried to place off-limits any questions to Costley about
27 LaMarche. *See, e.g.* April 29, 2011, RT at 3199:3 – 3204:2; 3302:14 – 3304:1
28 (government's argument to limit impeachment of LaMarche).

1 Agent Costley to testify as a summary witness. *Cf. Bullcoming v. New Mexico*,
2 *supra* at n. 25; *United States v. Wainwright*, 351 F.3d 816, 820-21 (8th Cir. 2003)
3 (state investigator who *prepared* summary exhibit *explained preparation* and was
4 available for cross-examination); *United States v. Gaitan-Acevedo*, 148 F.3d 577,
5 587-88 (6th Cir. 1998) (*preparer of summary* – the investigating agent – *explained*
6 *method of compiling information* into chart and was available for cross-
7 examination); *United States v. Radseck*, 718 F.2d 233, 237-38 (7th Cir. 1983) (use
8 of summary exhibit approved “where the government witness who *prepared the*
9 *exhibit* was available for cross-examination”) (emphasis added); *United States v.*
10 *Norton*, 867 F.2d 1354, 1362-63 (11th Cir. 1989) (no error in admitting summary
11 charts where preparer subject to “thorough cross examination. . . concerning [any]
12 disputed matters”); *United States v. Olano*, 62 F.3d 1180, 1203-04 (9th Cir. 1995)
13 (government called case agent for its investigation as summary witness, and defense
14 had opportunity for cross-examination); *United States v. Baker*, 10 F.3d 1374,
15 1411-12 (9th Cir. 1993), *overruled on other grounds by United States v. Nordby*,
16 225 F.3d 1053, 1059 (9th Cir. 2000) (agent who *prepared chart* was fully subject to
17 cross-examination regarding “her methods of preparing the summaries, her alleged
18 selectivity, and her partiality”).

19 Instead of using a summary witness in a legitimate manner, the prosecution
20 used Costley as a tool to prevent the defense from eliciting the failings and
21 shortcomings of the its investigation. This is cause alone to dismiss the indictment.

22 Also, during Agent Costley’s testimony, the government displayed slides to
23 the jury via a computer presentation. The slides contained notations, in subscript,
24 at the bottom left-hand corner of each slide. The notation, inserted by the
25 prosecution team, was the prosecutor’s argumentative description of the
26 information contained on a slide. For example, several slides were designated as
27 “tip.” When the defense objected, the prosecutor first feigned ignorance about the
28 subscript, April 27, 2011, RT at 2891:20 – 2892:2, and then falsely represented

1 that the subscript could not be removed – that it was part of the software program.
 2 April 27, 2011, RT at 2970:11-15 (“I can’t prevent it. It was simply a way that we
 3 used to organize the presentation so that it could be presented in a way that we
 4 would know what documents are coming up. It was not – I can’t remove it from
 5 the screen because it’s part of the program.”).

6 **E. The Prosecution’s Introduction Of ABB’s Criminal Conduct –**
 7 **And Attempt To Present A “Pattern Of Bribery” – Despite The**
 8 **Court’s Pretrial Ruling Excluding The Evidence And The**
 9 **Prosecution’s Jury Argument Highlighting The Stricken ABB**
 10 **Evidence Was Misconduct**

11 Nicola Mrazek is the Department of Justice prosecutor assigned to the ABB
 12 cases.⁶ She has been so assigned since at least 2007 or 2008. She is also assigned
 13 to the *United States v. Basurto*⁷ case. Mr. Basurto and his father were the
 14 middlemen between bribes paid by ABB to the ultimate payees at CFE. Ms.
 15 Mrazek is also the prosecutor assigned to *United States v. O’Shea*.⁸ Mr. O’Shea is
 16 a former ABB employee charged with bribing CFE.

17 As early as the search warrant and the grand jury proceedings, the
 18 prosecution has attempted to contrive a linkage between ABB and Lindsey
 19 Manufacturing Company, and to present evidence of a “pattern of bribery” –
 20 despite the fact that no such linkage exists.

21 Thus, the affidavit in support of warrant to search Lindsey Manufacturing
 22 Company begins with a description of the ABB case. *See* Motion to Suppress
 23 Evidence Seized in November 20, 2008 (Suppression Motion One), February 28,

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 25 ⁶ *See United States v. ABB Inc.*, No. 10-CR-664 (S.D. Tex.); *United States v.*
 26 *ABB Ltd-Jordan*, No. 10-CR-665 (S.D. Tex.).

27 ⁷ No. 09-CR-325 (S.D. Tex.).

28 ⁸ No. 09-CR-629 (S.D. Tex.).

1 2011, Docket Entry 209, at pp. 38-39; Suppression Motion One, Exhibit B,
2 November 14, 2010 Search Warrant Affidavit, at pp.
3 SearchWarrant_DOJ_000023-24; And the recently revealed false grand jury
4 testimony of Susan Guernsey and grand jury Exhibit 1 attempt to link Lindsey
5 Manufacturing Company to ABB in the “pattern of bribery.” Guernsey October
6 14, 2011 Grand Jury Testimony, RT at 6:4 – 8:25; Exhibit 1 to October 14, 2011
7 Guernsey Grand Jury Testimony. Before the Lindsey-Lee indictment, Ms. Mrazek
8 asked Mr. Basurto to testify in this trial in a manner to connect ABB to Lindsey
9 Manufacturing Company in this “pattern of bribery,” despite the fact that Mr.
10 Basurto had no knowledge of the Lindsey-Lee Defendants. *See* Exhibit L, October
11 10, 2010 email from Nicole J. Mrazek to William Rosch. Finally, the government
12 moved *in limine* to introduce ABB evidence at the Lindsey trial. *See*
13 Government’s Pretrial Motions, February 28, 2011, Docket Entry 225, at pp. 27-
14 28.

15 The defense opposed the motion to admit ABB evidence. Defendants’
16 Opposition to Motion to Admit Evidence Relating to ABB Network Management,
17 March 7, 2011, Docket Entry 243. The Court denied the government’s motion,
18 suggesting to the government that if it wished to revisit the issue, it could bring it
19 up to the Court during trial.

20 Despite the Court’s ruling, and *without seeking a new ruling*, the
21 government called Mr. Basurto as a witness and elicited testimony from Mr.
22 Basurto about ABB to prove this “pattern of bribery.” April 6, 2011, RT at 686:25
23 – 713:21.

24 The Court, noting the prior ruling, and noting the prejudicial impact and lack
25 of relevance of the ABB testimony, ordered the Basurto evidence severely limited
26 – just to Sorvill – and instructed the jury to ignore anything Basurto testified to that
27 did not relate to the role Sorvill played in this case. April 7, 2011, RT at 784:5 –
28 786:6.

1 Despite the Court's ruling, government counsel argued to the jury that Mr.
2 Basurto's testimony – especially as it related to Nestor Moreno – proved the guilt
3 of the Lindsey-Lee Defendants even though this was in violation of the Court's
4 order. May 6, 2011, RT at 4337:10-15.

5 **F. The Government's Conduct As It Relates To Jean Guy LaMarche**
6 **Was Improper, From Beginning To End**

7 Jean Guy LaMarche and the introduction of emails between he and Steve
8 Lee were the subject of extensive motion practice. But those motions did not fully
9 anticipate the extent of the government's misconduct with respect to Mr.
10 LaMarche.

11 The government – in its protective order litigation – represented that Mr.
12 LaMarche would be a witness and needed his identity protected because of
13 concerns for his safety. And while the claimed threat has never been described,
14 apparently Mr. LaMarche himself claimed to feel threatened.⁹ Not a shred of
15 evidence thus far provided supports LaMarche's claim. In fact, not a shred of
16 evidence thus far provided suggests that the government took *any* steps to
17 determine if a threat did exist. Instead, the government apparently relied on some
18 unsupported claim by Mr. LaMarche as a justification to seek a protective order –
19 in essence simply using the claim to prevent the defense from obtaining timely
20 discovery. *See, e.g.*, Government's First *Ex Parte* Application for Order for
21 Protective Order, January 27, 2011, Docket Entry 153; Government's Second *Ex*
22 *Parte* Application for Order for Protective Order, January 31, 2011, Docket Entry
23 163.

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25 ⁹ Mr. LaMarche allegedly also represented that he felt threatened by the
26 Lindsey-Lee investigator. *See* Motion *In Limine* to Prohibit Government From
27 Vouching For Witness And To Exclude Inflammatory Evidence, April 11, 2011,
28 Docket Entry 430, at Exhibit E, p. 00014. This is demonstrably false and absurd.
See id. at p. 6. *See* Declaration of Alain Brunelle at ¶¶ 8-10.

1 Then it threw roadblocks in the way of the defense access to Mr. LaMarche.
2 The government represented that Mr. LaMarche would testify at trial. It
3 continued to represent that even as the trial began. Indeed, Mr. LaMarche was
4 included on the government's witness list read to the jury on March 30, 2011. And
5 since Mr. LaMarche met with prosecutors and agents in the Federal courthouse in
6 December 2010 – after a firm trial date was set – one would expect he would have
7 been subpoenaed by the prosecution at that time, while on United States soil,
8 especially since he was a Canadian citizen and resident, and he could not be
9 subpoenaed from Canada. And that the appropriate measure would be taken to
10 assure his appearance. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3144 (material witness statute). Ms.
11 Mrazek indeed represented to the Court that Mr. LaMarche was subpoenaed –
12 although she did not say when or where this was done. April 29, 2011, RT at
13 3203:13-16.

14 *During trial*, the government changed course, saying that Mr. LaMarche had
15 refused to come to the United States, and indicating that his presence could not be
16 compelled. Instead, it sought to admit the LaMarche emails through a third party
17 witness.

18 While the prosecutors represented that they subpoenaed LaMarche, the
19 government could have taken additional steps to secure his testimony either by
20 deposing him under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 15 or seeking to have him
21 detained under 18 U.S.C. § 3144 (the material witness statute). It did not do so.

22 The other thing the government failed to do was level with the Court and
23 defense counsel in a timely fashion. The government never said why, apparently
24 having first learned of Mr. LaMarche's reluctance to testify two weeks before trial,
25 it delayed in revealing this information until obtaining Mr. LaMarche's presence or
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1 testimony had become impossible.¹⁰

2 The prosecution's misconduct with LaMarche was not limited to his
3 appearance at trial. Defense counsel retained an investigator to interview Mr.
4 LaMarche. He and his wife were interviewed on March 23, 2011. *See* Brunelle
5 Decl. at ¶ 8-9. This interview, which lasted over an hour at Mr. LaMarche's home,
6 was voluntary and cordial. *See* Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 10. The defense learned of
7 LaMarche's address from publicly available, published sources. *See* Brunelle
8 Decl. at ¶ 8. The government learned of the interview from Mr. LaMarche. *See*
9 Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11.

10 Sometime after March 23, in an attempt to verify some facts, defense
11 counsel asked the Canadian investigator to again interview Mr. LaMarche. *See*
12 Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11. The investigator called Mr. LaMarche. However, Mr.
13 LaMarche refused to speak with the investigator. *See* Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11. Mr.
14 LaMarche indicated that he informed one of the FBI agents in this case of his
15 interview by a defense investigator, and the FBI agent was "furious" with him for
16 having spoken with the defense investigator. *See* Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11. Mr.
17 LaMarche told the defense investigator never to call or speak with him again.¹¹
18 *See* Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11.

19 It is well-established that interference with access to a witness is
20 prosecutorial misconduct. *Leung*, 351 F. Supp. 2d at 993, 996. An agent's
21 expression of fury at a witness for speaking with a defense investigator crosses the
22 line into prohibited interference with witnesses. ABA Standards for Criminal
23 Justice, Prosecution Function, R. 3-3.1(d) (3d ed. 1993) ("A prosecutor should not
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25 ¹⁰ Had timely notification been made, the defense could have attempted to
26 secure a Rule 15 deposition of Mr. LaMarche.

27 ¹¹ LaMarche did not tell the defense investigator which agent expressed this
28 "fury." *See* Brunelle Decl. at ¶ 11.

1 discourage or obstruct communication between prospective witnesses and defense
2 counsel. A prosecutor should not advise any person or cause any person to be
3 advised to decline to give to the defense information which such person has the
4 right to give.”).

5 Not only did the government interfere with access to LaMarche, it misused
6 the evidence related to him. Most of the LaMarche emails were introduced for a
7 limited purpose – only to establish Steve Lee’s “state of mind.” That the
8 government wanted and needed to use the emails for a broader purpose was
9 graphically demonstrated in a summary exhibit it tried to introduce. *See* Exhibit N,
10 Government’s Proposed Summary Trial Exhibit 1013. While the Court rejected
11 the exhibit and gave a limiting instruction for the use of the emails in closing
12 arguments, the government did just what that rejected exhibit would have done and
13 used the LaMarche emails substantively, not in a limited fashion, and used them
14 against all of the defendants. *See* May 6, 2011, RT at 4097:18 – 4109:3; 4117:1 –
15 4121:13.

16 The emails were woven throughout the government’s closing and displayed
17 on its computer projected slides – given equal status with all other evidence. And
18 while the government gave lip service to the Court’s limiting instruction, May 6,
19 2011, RT at 4097:22 – 4098:1, it explicitly and implicitly ignored it. May 6, 2011,
20 at RT 4098:24 – 4099:2; 4106:1-4; 4106:13-14. The emails were quoted and then
21 summarized against all defendants for the truth of the matter, not for a limited
22 purpose.

23 **G. The Government Played Games With Its Witness List**

24 Pursuant to a Court order, the government was to provide the defense with
25 its list of trial witnesses on February 15, 2011. That day, it provided a list of 78
26 names, *not including custodians of records*. Ultimately, 23 people from that list
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1 testified at trial, and five (5) people not on that list testified at trial.¹²

2 On March 30, 2011 – it provided a witness list with 80 names, not including
3 custodians of record, to be read to the jury. For many of those supposed witnesses,
4 the prosecution had not produced any witness statements or discovery.

5 The lists contained names of people – such as Abel Huitron, the general
6 counsel of CFE – that the government *knew* could not and would be witnesses.¹³
7 Indeed, contrary to the clear representations in its witness lists, as the government
8 revealed on April 7, 2011 – *during trial* – CFE officials *cannot* testify in United
9 States courts. April 7, 2011, RT at 742:8-14. And that to get a CFE official’s
10 testimony, a Rule 15 deposition would be necessary. Mr. Huitron’s inclusion in
11 the witness list is emblematic of the government’s deception.

12 **H. The Government Committed Misconduct in its Closing Argument**
13 **By Expressly Urging The Jury To Convict Based On A Willful**
14 **Blindness Theory of Knowledge, Even Though The Court had**
15 **Rejected Such An Invitation**

16 The government’s references to ABB and LaMarche were not, however, the
17 only instances of misconduct during closing argument. In contravention of this
18 Court’s order refusing to give a willful blindness/deliberate ignorance instruction,
19 the prosecutor repeatedly and expressly urged the jury to adopt such a theory of
20 culpability.

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23 ¹² Those five witnesses include: Maria Concepcion Delgado, April Buelle,
24 Monica Lopez Guerra, Shauna Wilson, and Susan Guernsey.

25 ¹³ Mr. Huitron was placed on the February 15 witness list just four days after
26 having been interviewed by the prosecutors and agents. Yet, the memorandum of
27 this interview of Mr. Huitron was not provided to the defense until a month later.
28 *See Motion to Dismiss First Superseding Indictment for Violations of Brady v. Maryland* or, in the Alternative, for Sanctions, March 22, 2011, Docket Entry 317, at pp. 2-3.

1 In ruling on jury instructions, the Court found that “there isn’t a basis to
2 give” a deliberate ignorance/willful blindness instruction as to “any defendant.”
3 May 5, 2011, RT at 3833:17-23. But that was exactly the standard Mr. Goldberg
4 repeatedly told the jury to apply with regard to the knowledge element of the FCPA
5 claims in his closing arguments.

6 Mr. Goldberg began his argument regarding the knowledge element of the
7 FCPA by discussing the circumstantial evidence leading up to Mr. Aguilar’s hiring
8 and inquiring “[h]ow could they not know”:

9 You need, we submit, to review the evidence in total. In total.
10 And all of that – all of that leading up to February of 2002, we submit,
11 tells you that Keith Lindsey and Steve Lee knew. They actually knew
12 that when they hired Enrique Aguilar at 30 percent, they knew a piece
13 – at least a piece of that money was going to be going to CFE officials.
How could they not know? How could they not know?

14 May 6, 2011, RT at 4148:16-23 (emphasis added). Then, in discussing the
15 events following LMC’s hiring of Mr. Aguilar, Mr. Goldberg argued again “[h]ow
16 could they not know?”:

17 And then you have all of the events and circumstances after
18 February 2002; the fact that they start getting direct purchases
19 within months – within months – of them seeking to formally
20 complain, that, *Hey, you used direct purchase under dubious*
*circumstances.*¹⁴

21 ***How could they not know that Enrique Aguilar was corrupt***
22 ***when they hired him? How could they not know that the 30***
percent was designed to get money to the foreign officials?

23 May 6, 2011, RT at 4149:23-4150:5.

24 Several sentences later, in discussing Mr. Lindsey and Mr. Lee as “smart”
25 and “experienced” people in the industry, Mr. Goldberg again argues: “I mean,

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27 ¹⁴ This also misstates the facts. See Exhibit O, LMC Trial Exhibit 2525 (CFE
28 charts of purchases).

1 how could they not know what’s going on here, especially given the events of 1999
2 and 2000 and 2001 and the documents that they author?” May 6, 2011, RT at
3 4152:12-22.

4 Finally, in explaining the applicable law, Mr. Goldberg makes it explicit that
5 he is urging the jury to adopt a willful blindness theory of culpability. Indeed, he
6 ultimately instructs the jury that “the law is saying you can’t turn a blind eye. . . .”:

7 Some of you might be saying, *Well, I don’t know if they actually knew.*
8 *We don’t have an e-mail from Steve Lee or Keith Lindsey that says,*
9 *“Hey, we’re going to pay the bribes now,”* you know, some like real
10 smoking gun, now, you know.

11 Mr. Goldberg argues that even if the Lindsey-Lee Defendants are not shown
12 to have actual knowledge, the jury can convict. And he concludes:

13 And why is that in there? Why is that in the law? It’s because the law
14 is saying you can’t turn a blind eye to what is –
[Defense objection to misstating the law is sustained]

15 May 6, 2011, RT at 4152:24-4154:7.

16 Immediately after this defense objection to the improper willful blindness
17 argument was sustained, however, Mr. Goldberg stated: “Defendants like Keith
18 Lindsey and Steve Lee cannot see all of this smoke and all of these red flags and
19 *then close their eyes.*” May 6, 2011, RT at 4154:8-12 (emphasis added). To drive
20 home the point, Mr. Goldberg put his hands over his eyes. *See also* Declaration of
21 Martinique E. Busino at ¶ 3.

22 The defense again objected to this continued improper argument, but the
23 Court construed Mr. Goldberg as “not stating the law,” but “arguing what he thinks
24 the evidence may have shown.” May 6, 2011, RT at 4154:13-4155:1.

25 Importantly, notwithstanding the Court’s admonishment to Mr. Goldberg to
26 not misstate the jury instructions, Mr. Goldberg’s argument told the jury that the
27 willful blindness or deliberate ignorance was not sufficient to establish knowledge.
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1 Given that this case consisted of entirely circumstantial evidence, evidence that was
2 weak at best, the improper willful blindness argument by Mr. Goldberg
3 undoubtedly affected the jury to the prejudice of the defense.

4 **VII. THE PERVASIVE GOVERNMENT MISCONDUCT NECESSITATES**
5 **DISMISSAL OF THE INDICTMENT**

6 An indictment may be dismissed for prosecutorial misconduct: (1) where
7 “outrageous government conduct” violates due process; or (2) if the misconduct
8 does not rise to the level of a due process violation, “the court may nonetheless
9 dismiss under its supervisory powers.” *United States v. Chapman*, 524 F.3d 1073,
10 1084 (9th Cir. 2008);

11 “Due process of law, as a historic and generative principle, precludes
12 defining, and thereby confining, these standards of conduct more precisely than to
13 say that convictions cannot be brought about by methods that offend ‘a sense of
14 justice.’” *Rochin v. California*, 342 U.S. 165, 172-73 (1952) (internal citation
15 omitted). In each case, the court must evaluate “the whole course of the
16 proceedings (resulting in a conviction) in order to ascertain whether” alleged
17 government misconduct violated fundamental “canons of decency and fairness.”
18 *Rochin*, 342 U.S. at 169 (internal citation and quotations omitted).

19 “Even where no due process violation exists, a federal court may dismiss an
20 indictment pursuant to its supervisory powers.” *United States v. Ross*, 372 F.3d
21 1097, 1107 (9th Cir. 2004). District courts have wide discretion to “dismiss an
22 indictment under their inherent supervisory powers (1) to implement a remedy for
23 the violation of a recognized statutory or constitutional right; (2) to preserve
24 judicial integrity by ensuring that a conviction rests on appropriate considerations
25 validly before the jury; and (3) to deter future illegal conduct.” *United States v.*
26 *Struckman*, 611 F.3d 560, 574 (9th Cir. 2010) (internal citation and quotations
27 omitted).

28 The specific analysis for determining whether prosecutorial misconduct

1 justifies dismissal varies depending on whether the misconduct at issue occurred at
2 the grand jury stage or at the other phases of the case – such as during the
3 investigation, discovery, and trial stages. Here, misconduct sufficient to justify
4 dismissal occurred at every stage – during the investigatory stage, the grand jury
5 stage, pre-trial, and at trial.

6 **A. The Cumulative Effect Of Government Misconduct Throughout**
7 **The Investigation, Discovery And Trial Phases Of This Case**
8 **Warrants Dismissal**

9 Prosecutorial misconduct occurring during the investigatory, discovery, and
10 trial stages warrants dismissal of the indictment when the misconduct is “flagrant”
11 and causes “substantial prejudice” to the defendant. *See, e.g., Chapman*, 524 F.3d
12 at 1085, 1087; *Ross*, 372 F.3d at 1110. Here, the misconduct is flagrant and has
13 caused substantial prejudice.

14 **1. The Misconduct Was Flagrant**

15 For misconduct to be “flagrant,” “a finding of ‘willful misconduct’ in the
16 sense of intentionality is not required.” *United States v. Fitzgerald*, 615 F. Supp. 2d
17 1156, 1159 (S.D. Cal. 2009). “Rather, ‘reckless disregard’ satisfies the standard for
18 dismissal.” *Id.*; *see also Chapman*, 524 F.3d at 1085 (“[F]lagrant misbehavior”
19 includes “reckless disregard for the prosecution’s constitutional obligations.”);
20 *United States v. Renzi*, 722 F. Supp. 2d 1100, 1132 (D. Ariz. 2010) (“Reckless
21 government conduct may be remedied under the Court’s supervisory powers even
22 when prosecutors act in good faith.”)

23 Any review of the government’s misconduct that permeated all stages of the
24 case – from the investigation through trial – makes clear that the prosecutors acted
25 recklessly, if not willfully, in repeatedly disregarding their obligations to the
26 Defendants and the Court.

27 As detailed above, during the investigation, the prosecutors committed
28 misconduct by, among other things: (1) inserting patently false statements into FBI

1 agent affidavits seeking search and seizure warrants without consulting with the
2 agent – before inserting the false assertions and without bringing the false
3 information added to these affidavits to the agent’s attention; (2) affirmatively
4 modifying search warrants for the purpose of specifically circumventing the
5 requirements of *Tamura* by allowing case agents to search electronically stored
6 information; (3) searching two buildings at LMC without a search warrant; (4)
7 presenting false testimony through Agent Guernsey at four grand jury sessions; and
8 5) obtaining e-mails of Angela Aguilar while she was in the MDC, which the
9 prosecutors had not been authorized to obtain.

10 During the discovery phase of this case, the prosecutors committed
11 misconduct by, among other things: (1) concealing the false and misleading grand
12 jury testimony by Agent Guernsey in violation of *Brady* and *Giglio*; (2) directly
13 violating a Court order and the Jencks Act by not producing an additional
14 transcript of Agent Guernsey’s testimony until *after* her testimony at trial and only
15 in response to further inquiry by defense counsel; (3) failing to disclose falsities in
16 Agent Binder’s search warrant affidavit and the prosecutors’ responsibility for
17 inserting those false statements; (4) delaying production of drafts of Agent Binder’s
18 affidavit until after the *Franks* hearing; (5) delaying the production of certain *Brady*
19 and Jencks material (including an FBI 302 statement for Fernando Basurto and
20 potentially exculpatory statements by former LMC employee Patrick Rowan) until
21 after it concluded its case in chief; (6) attempting to conceal its investigation from
22 defense scrutiny, by, among other things, keeping Agent Guernsey off the witness
23 list and off the stand until the false grand jury testimony was ordered to be
24 produced by the Court; (7) interfering with defense access to its key witness, Mr.
25 LaMarche, by delaying disclosure of his identity based on dubious assertions of
26 “danger” to his safety, discouraging him from speaking with defense investigators,
27 and delaying disclosure of the prosecution’s decision to not call him as a witness;
28 (8) playing games with its witness list, and thereby interfering with the defense

1 team's preparation for trial, by listing individuals who the government had no
2 intention of calling, or could not call, and omitting other individuals who would
3 testify; (9) concealing *Brady* material regarding the source of funds for the
4 allegedly corrupt military school tuition payments; and (10) falsely assuring the
5 Court and defense counsel of full compliance with all discovery obligations.

6 During the trial of this case, the government committed misconduct by,
7 among other things: (1) improperly using an unqualified summary witness with no
8 knowledge of the case to present its key evidence, admittedly to shield its
9 investigation from attack and to deprive the defense of its constitutional right to
10 confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; (2) introducing
11 "misleading" and "shockingly incomplete" summary charts; (3) publishing
12 prejudicial commentary on the computer projected slides used to present exhibits
13 during Agent Costley's testimony; (4) introducing evidence of ABB's criminal
14 conduct in violation of the Court's pretrial ruling and then highlighting this stricken
15 evidence to the jury during closing arguments; (5) violating the Court's limiting
16 instruction regarding the use of Mr. LaMarche's e-mails for the truth of the matters
17 asserted therein and using them against all defendants (as opposed to just Mr. Lee);
18 (6) violating the Court's order excluding deliberate ignorance/willful blindness as a
19 basis for culpability in this case by urging the jury, during closing arguments, to
20 employ a willful blindness theory of culpability.

21 A review of *United States v. Chapman* demonstrates the flagrant nature of
22 the misconduct at issue in this case. In *Chapman*, the Ninth Circuit held that the
23 government's failure to produce *Brady* material until mid-trial, its failure to keep
24 track of what had been produced and its affirmative representations to the court of
25 full compliance, "support[ed] the district's court's finding of 'flagrant'
26 prosecutorial misconduct even if the documents themselves were not intentionally
27 withheld from the defense." 524 F.3d at 1085. In upholding the district court's
28 dismissal of the indictment, *Chapman* specifically noted "as particularly relevant

1 the fact that the government received several indications, both before and during
2 trial, that there were problems with its discovery production and yet it did nothing
3 to ensure it had provided full disclosure until the trial court insisted it produce
4 verifications of such after numerous complaints from the defense.” *Id.*; *see also*
5 *Fitzgerald*, 615 F. Supp. 2d at 1159-60 (finding government’s refusal to disclose
6 exculpatory tape recordings to be flagrant, justifying dismissal, because the
7 government recklessly disregarded its discovery obligations in refusing to produce
8 the tapes until after trial, failing to keep a discovery log tracking what documents
9 were disclosed, and not owning up to its misconduct).

10 Similarly, the prosecutors in this case received numerous warnings from the
11 Court throughout this case that its conduct was “sloppy” and “clumsy;” that its
12 “flow of information” was “extremely troubling;” that its disclosures were
13 “incomplete,” “inconsistent” and untimely; and that further lapses would not be
14 tolerated. But the government’s misconduct and concealment persisted.

15 Perhaps most troubling, on April 7, 2011, in response to repeated issues of
16 discovery compliance, the prosecution specifically assured this Court that it had
17 conducted a “top-to-bottom review of discovery that’s been turned over and what
18 we’re required to turn over” and confirmed “[w]e have done what we believe not
19 only meets our obligation, but exceeds it.” *See* April 7, 2010, RT at 880-81. That
20 assurance was made at a time when the prosecution was still concealing, among
21 other things: (1) Agent Guernsey’s patently false grand jury testimony; (2) an FBI
22 302 statement by Fernando Basurto who had testified at trial *the same day* the
23 prosecutors assured the Court of full discovery compliance; and (3) a potentially
24 exculpatory statement by a former LMC employee (Patrick Rowan).

25 Moreover, much of the misconduct at issue in this case directly violated the
26 Court’s orders, such as: (1) introducing evidence of ABB’s criminal conduct to
27 prove a “pattern of bribery” in violation of pre-trial rulings; (2) utilizing Mr.
28 LaMarche’s e-mails against all defendants and for the truth of the matters asserted

1 in them, in violation of the Court’s limiting instructions; (3) presenting a deliberate
2 ignorance theory of culpability to the jury in violation of the Court’s order on jury
3 instructions, and exclusion of such a theory of culpability; and (4) failing to
4 produce to the Court or the defense the October 14, 2010 grand jury testimony of
5 Agent Guernsey in contravention of a Court order requiring production of all her
6 testimony.

7 Finally, the prosecutors openly admitted that their intent in keeping Agent
8 Guernsey off the witness list, and thus off the stand, and utilizing Agent Costley as
9 its “summary” witness was to shield the government’s investigation from defense
10 scrutiny. This demonstrates a willful attempt to deny the defense their
11 constitutional right to raise the inadequacies of the investigation as a defense. *See*
12 *Kyles*, 514 U.S. at 445-49 (holding that evidence of investigative failure is *Brady*
13 material).

14 In short, the prosecutors’ misconduct throughout the course of this case
15 demonstrates, at the very least, a reckless disregard for their constitutional
16 obligations and this Court’s rulings, and was therefore flagrant.

17 **2. The Misconduct Caused Substantial Prejudice**

18 In *United States v. Ross*, the Ninth Circuit set forth the controlling standard
19 for determining whether government misconduct caused “substantial prejudice” to
20 the defendants:

21 Where the defendant asks the district court to use its
22 supervisory powers to dismiss an indictment for
23 outrageous government conduct, the proper prejudice
24 inquiry is whether the government conduct “had at least
some impact on the verdict and thus redounded to [the
defendant’s] prejudice.”

25 372 F.3d at 1110 (*quoting United States v. Lopez*, 4 F.3d 1455, 1464 (9th Cir.
26 1993)). The Ninth Circuit expressly clarified that “this is a *less stringent* standard
27 than the *Brady* materiality standard.” *Id.* (emphasis added).

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1 While published cases have not yet set forth exactly what level of prejudice
2 is sufficient to satisfy the “some impact” standard announced in *Ross*, an
3 unpublished decision by the Honorable Dean Pregerson addressed the issue and
4 found that “the prejudice standard is low.” *United States v. Hector*, No. CR 04-
5 00860 DDP, 2008 WL 2025069, *18-20 (C.D. Cal. May 8, 2008).

6 *Hector* addressed a post-conviction motion to dismiss or, in the alternative,
7 for a new trial, based on the government’s failure to discover and disclose
8 impeachment information regarding its informant until after trial. Citing *Ross*,
9 Judge Pregerson held that “[o]nce egregious government conduct has been
10 established, the prejudice standard is low; Defendant must show only that the
11 Government’s flagrant conduct had ‘at least some impact on the verdict.’” *Id.* at
12 *18. He went on to explain that “[a]ny impact on the trial at all will suffice.” *Id.*
13 Judge Pregerson ultimately concluded that because the withheld evidence in that
14 case could make the jury “less likely to believe” the informant – even though it was
15 made aware of his criminal past – it had “some impact on the verdict.” *Id.* at *19-
16 20 (emphasis in original). A new trial was ordered. *Id.* at *20.

17 Of equal importance in evaluating whether the misconduct caused prejudice,
18 a district court must consider “[t]he cumulative effect” of the misconduct “when
19 viewed in the context of the entire trial” *United States v. Sanchez*, 176 F.3d
20 1214, 1225 (9th Cir. 1999); *see also Berger*, 295 U.S. at 89 (holding that numerous
21 instances of prosecutorial misconduct at trial had “a probable cumulative effect
22 upon the jury which cannot be disregarded as inconsequential” and therefore “a
23 new trial must be awarded”); *Hein v. Sullivan*, 601 F.3d 897, 905 n.4 (9th Cir.
24 2010) (“[W]e cannot review each instance of non-disclosure or prosecutorial
25 misconduct in isolation, but rather must view them collectively in light of the entire
26 record.”)

27 “In some cases, although no single trial error examined in isolation is
28 sufficiently prejudicial to warrant reversal, the cumulative effect of multiple errors

1 may still prejudice a defendant.” *United States v. Frederick*, 78 F.3d 1370, 1381
2 (9th Cir. 1996). Indeed, where, as here, there are numerous instances of
3 misconduct, “a balkanized, issue-by-issue harmless error review is far less effective
4 than analyzing the overall effect of all the errors in the context of the evidence
5 introduced at trial against the defendant.” *Id.* (internal citation and quotations
6 omitted). Moreover, “[i]n those cases where the government’s case is weak, a
7 defendant is more likely to be prejudiced by the effect of cumulative errors.” *Id.*

8 In *Frederick*, the Ninth Circuit found that, although no single incident of
9 prosecutorial misconduct standing alone may have been sufficient to warrant
10 reversal of the conviction, the “cumulative effect” of three separate incidents of
11 misconduct established sufficient prejudice. *Id.* The misconduct at issue involved
12 the prosecutors soliciting testimony by two government witnesses that vaguely
13 suggested the possibility of other instances of sexual misconduct by the defendant
14 in violation of the court order excluding such testimony, the prosecutors’ improper
15 reference in closing argument to the key witness’s prior consistent statements, and
16 improper comments by the prosecutor about the motives of defense counsel to
17 confuse the evidence. *Id.* at 1375-80. The Ninth Circuit ultimately concluded that,
18 because “the evidence against the defendant was not overwhelming” and “the case
19 was a close one,” the “cumulative effect of the errors was prejudicial.” *Id.* at 1381.
20 It therefore reversed the conviction.¹⁵

21 Here, the “cumulative effect” of the pervasive prosecutorial misconduct
22 undoubtedly had “some impact on the verdict.” Although a conviction was
23 ultimately secured, the evidence against the defendants was weak. In addition, the
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26 ¹⁵ See also *Sanchez*, 176 F.3d at 1225 (finding that “cumulative effect” of
27 various instances of prosecutorial misconduct “when viewed in the context of the
28 entire trial” necessitated reversal of the conviction).

1 evidence was entirely circumstantial and very confusing. As a result, the instances
2 of misconduct, when viewed in aggregate, most certainly impacted the jury.

3 **B. Allowing The Defendants To Stand Trial On An Indictment**
4 **Knowingly Secured, In Part, By Material False Testimony Violates**
5 **Due Process**

6 The Fifth Amendment guarantees that “[n]o person shall be held to answer
7 for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of
8 a Grand Jury” U.S. Const. amend. V. The Supreme Court has found that
9 “[t]his constitutional guarantee presupposes an investigative body acting
10 independently of either prosecuting attorney or judge” *United States v.*
11 *Dionisio*, 410 U.S. 1, 16 (1973) (internal quotations and citation omitted). The
12 grand jury can fulfill its historic function of safeguarding a defendant’s Fifth
13 Amendment rights only if it is “an independent and informed grand jury.” *Wood v.*
14 *Georgia*, 370 U.S. 375, 390 (1962)

15 Where the prosecutors engage in misconduct at the grand jury stage, the
16 applicable standard for dismissing the indictment depends on whether the motion is
17 decided before or after a trial jury has issued a guilty verdict. *See United States v.*
18 *Navarro*, 608 F.3d 529, 538-40 (9th Cir. 2010).

19 Even when the motion is ruled on after a trial jury has issued a guilty verdict,
20 the indictment may still be dismissed based on a due process violation.

21 Where the misconduct rises to the level of a due process or “structural error,”
22 the indictment must be dismissed “without a particular assessment of the prejudicial
23 impact of the errors.” *Bank of Nova Scotia v. United States*, 487 U.S. 250, 256
24 (1988). “‘Structural error’ is a term of art for error requiring reversal regardless of
25 whether it is prejudicial or harmless, not for error in some way affecting the
26 structure of criminal proceedings.” *Navarro*, 608 F.3d at 538.

27 Importantly, the Ninth Circuit has specifically found – and the government’s
28 previous opposition papers agree – that allowing a defendant to stand trial on an

1 indictment that the government knows is based, at least in part, on perjured
2 testimony rises to the level of a due process violation. *See United States v. Basurto*,
3 497 F.2d 781, 785-86 (9th Cir. 1974). Government’s Opposition to Defendants’
4 Motion to Dismiss, June 6, 2011, Docket Entry 600.

5 As already discussed at length in Defendants’ original Motion and Reply
6 Brief, that is exactly what happened here. The prosecutors knew about the falsity
7 of Agent Guernsey’s representations to the grand jury, but rather than disclose them
8 to the defense, the Court, and the grand jury, they actively concealed them and
9 allowed the case to proceed to trial. This was a serious due process violation that,
10 standing alone, necessitates dismissal of the indictment.

11 **VIII. THE INDICTMENT SHOULD BE DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**

12 Where, as here, the Court is faced with pervasive prejudicial misconduct by
13 the prosecutors, it has the discretion to order a new trial or dismiss the indictment
14 either with or without prejudice. *Kojoyan*, 8 F.3d at 1318, 1323-25. “In
15 determining the proper remedy, [a court] must consider the government’s
16 willfulness in committing the misconduct and its willingness to own up to it.” *Id.* at
17 1318. A court “may exercise its supervisory power to make it clear that the
18 misconduct was serious, that the government’s unwillingness to own up to it was
19 more serious still and that steps must be taken to avoid a recurrence of this chain of
20 events.” *Id.* at 1325 (vacating the conviction and remanding to trial court for
21 determination of whether to retry the defendants or dismiss the indictment with
22 prejudice “as a sanction for the government’s misbehavior”).

23 Also relevant to the determination of the appropriate remedy is the strength
24 of the government’s case against the Defendants. The weaker the case, the more
25 the balance tips in favor of dismissing the indictment with prejudice because a
26 retrial would unfairly allow the government to revise its case strategy. *See*
27 *Fitzgerald*, 615 F. Supp. 2d at 1161-62 (holding that dismissal of indictment with
28 prejudice, rather than mistrial, was warranted for *Brady* violation because “the

1 strength of the Government’s case against Defendant was not overwhelming” and,
2 therefore, “retrial would be substantially prejudicial” in that it would “allow the
3 Government to revise its case strategy”).

4 In this case, the evidence of guilt was far from overwhelming, the
5 prosecutorial misconduct permeated every phase of this case, and the misconduct
6 persisted despite numerous warnings from the Court. While in some cases a lesser
7 remedy, such as a new trial, may be appropriate, *Kojoyan*, 8 F.3d at 1325, dismissal
8 with prejudice is the appropriate remedy here.

9 **IX. CONCLUSION**

10 For these reasons, the Defendants respectfully request that the First
11 Superseding Indictment be dismissed with prejudice.

12 DATED: July 25, 2011

Respectfully submitted,

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15 /s/ Janet I. Levine

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18 DATED: July 25, 2011

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20 /s/ Jan L. Handzlik

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22 Attorneys for Defendants
23 Lindsey Manufacturing Company and
24 Keith E. Lindsey

1 **DECLARATION OF ALAIN BRUNELLE**

2 I, Alain Brunelle, hereby declare as follows:

3 1. I have personal and first-hand knowledge of the facts set forth in this
4 Declaration, unless otherwise stated, and, if called as a witness, I could and would
5 testify competently to those facts.

6 2. I am presently employed as a private investigator at GW Consulting and
7 Investigations Inc., a private investigation firm headquartered in Montreal, Québec,
8 Canada. GW Consulting and Investigations Inc. is affiliated with GARDA, a
9 consulting, investigation, and security firm also headquartered in Montreal, Québec,
10 Canada. Attached hereto as exhibits are materials describing GARDA.

11 3. I am a retired police officer from the *Service de Police de la ville de*
12 *Montréal* (Montreal Police Department), where I served between September 1969
13 to January 2002 as a constable, a sergeant, a sergeant-detective and a lieutenant-
14 detective. My last assignment was from May 1997 to January 2002 with the rank
15 of lieutenant-detective, and my title was assistant-commander at the Fraud
16 Division.

17 4. I am licensed pursuant under the *Private Security Act of the Province of*
18 *Quebec (R.S.Q. chapter S-3.5)*¹⁶, with nine (9) years of experience in private
19 investigation and twenty-three (23) years in public investigation with the Montreal
20 Police Department.

21 5. I am a Canadian citizen, residing in Québec, Canada.

22 6. I am informed and believe that in February 2011, GARDA was retained (on
23 behalf of defense counsel) by Adam Dawson of Dawson Ryan Associates. Mr.
24 Dawson is a Los Angeles-based investigator who was and is working with the
25 attorneys representing Lindsey Manufacturing Company (“LMC”), Keith E.

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27 ¹⁶ See
28 http://www2.publicationsduquebec.gouv.qc.ca/dynamicSearch/telecharge.php?type=2&file=/S_3_5/S3_5_A.htm

1 Lindsey (“Dr. Lindsey”) and Steve K. Lee (“Mr. Lee”). GARDA was engaged to
2 investigate Jean Guy LaMarche, a possible witness in the case against LMC, Dr.
3 Lindsey and Mr. Lee.

4 7. I was asked to interview Mr. LaMarche and his wife, Aura M. Velasquez
5 Martinez, both of whom I was told met with authorities for the United States. I was
6 given little information about the case prior to interviewing Mr. LaMarche, so I did
7 my own research of public sources about the case. Also, Mr. Dawson provided a
8 list of questions to cover during the interview.

9 8. On March 23, 2011, LEEANNE Bastos Couto, a fellow investigator, and I
10 interviewed Mr. LaMarche and his wife at their home in Sainte-Mélanie, Québec,
11 Canada. We learned their address and phone number using publicly available
12 resources; this information was also listed on the website www.canada411.ca.

13 9. Upon meeting Mr. LaMarche and his wife, I identified myself and Ms. Couto
14 and whom we represented. Mr. LaMarche asked if I worked as a government
15 investigator, specifically mentioning the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the
16 United States government. I told him I did not work for either of these entities. I
17 informed Mr. LaMarche who we were, namely, private investigators employed by
18 GARDA, retained by the defense, namely, the lawyers for LMC, Dr. Lindsey and
19 Mr. Lee.

20 10. The interview lasted about an hour and a half. Both Mr. LaMarche and his
21 wife were cooperative and cordial throughout the interview. Neither of them
22 expressed any resistance to being interviewed nor asked us to stop or leave at any
23 time.

24 11. On May 4, 2011, at the request of Mr. Dawson, I telephoned Mr. LaMarche
25 to confirm certain facts. Upon reaching Mr. LaMarche by phone, he informed me
26 that, after our interview on March 23, 2011, he spoke with one of the FBI agents
27 involved in this case. Mr. LaMarche further stated that he told the FBI agent he had
28 been interviewed by us. The agent was furious with him for speaking with us. Mr.

1 LaMarche then told me that he did not wish to speak to me anymore about this case,
2 and that I should not call him again.

3 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of
4 America, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, that the information contained in this
5 declaration is true and correct.

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7 Executed this 19th day of July 2011, at Montreal, Québec, Canada.

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9 /s/ Alain Brunelle (original signature on file)
10 ALAIN BRUNELLE

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1 **DECLARATION OF JANET I. LEVINE**

2 I, Janet I. Levine, hereby state and declare as follows:

3 1. I am a lawyer duly admitted to practice law before this Court and in
4 California. I am counsel of record for defendant Steve K. Lee (“Mr. Lee”) in this
5 case. I have personal and first-hand knowledge of the facts set forth in this
6 Declaration, unless otherwise stated, and, if called as a witness, I could and would
7 testify competently to those facts.

8 2. I have reviewed the discovery and pleadings in this matter, as well as
9 some of the pleadings in *United States v. Basurto* and *United States v. O’Shea*. I
10 have seen documents associating Ms. Mrazek with this and related investigations as
11 early as 2007 or 2008. I have seen documents associating Mr. Miller with this
12 investigation as early as 2008.

13 3. I received about 604 pages of materials, Bates-numbered “Affidavit
14 000001 to 000604,” on or about March 24, 2011. These were represented to be the
15 drafts of the November 14, 2008 search warrant used to search the LMC premises
16 in Azusa, California.

17 4. At my direction, Sima Namiri-Kalantari, a summer associate at
18 Crowell & Moring, LLP reviewed the drafts of the search warrant affidavit. I asked
19 her to determine how many different drafts were received. She isolated 15 different
20 documents, but one of these was not a draft of the LMC November 14, 2008 search
21 warrant affidavit. She divided the documents into drafts pursuant to my request.

22 5. There are 14 different drafts of the November 14, 2008 search warrant
23 affidavit. I cannot determine who authored or modified them.

24 6. The false claim that LMC made “several large payments to Sorvill”
25 first appears in draft 13 of the search warrant.

26 7. We reviewed the drafts of the search warrant to see if the language that
27 permitted the searches of electronically stored information changed in the drafts.
28 Drafts 1 through 9, and drafts 11 and 12 are different from drafts 10, 13, and 14.

1 The language allowing the “case agents” to search ESI first appears on the 10th
2 version of the search warrant. The prior versions (1 through 9), as well as versions
3 11 and 12, only allow the “computer personnel” to search ESI.

4 8. I have attached an exhibit a chart prepared by Ms. Namiri-Kalantari
5 and others in my office. The chart sets forth the changes in the ESI language from
6 version to version.

7 9. During the testimony of Agent Costley, the government displayed
8 exhibits as slides on a computer presentation. On each slide, the presentation
9 contained subtitles which gave a short description of the slide. The description
10 was consistent with the government’s theory of its case, as it was argued to the jury.
11 I recall one that such description used for many of the slides was “tip.”

12 I declare under the penalties of the laws of the United States that the
13 foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

14 Executed this 25th day of July 2011, at Los Angeles, California.

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16 /s/Janet I. Levine
17 JANET I. LEVINE

